

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Geography Division, ORR
Project Initiation Memorandum

TO: Chief, Geographic Research

Project No. 69.1577

FROM: Chief, Geography Division

Date: 5 August 1957

1. Subject of Proposed Project: Accuracy of target positioning inside the USSR.
2. Statement of Problem: A Navy weapon system involving ship-launched intermediate range missiles has several alternative methods of guidance control over land areas of the enemy. The ultimate success of the weapon system rests upon knowing the relative geodetic positions of check points and targets as these can be obtained from available maps of the USSR. Since (a) US holdings of USSR maps are sparse and out of date, (b) the new Soviet geodetic system is not reflected on any maps we have of the USSR, and (c) desirable check point features generally are not shown on the maps the US has of the USSR, a study is necessary prior to any statement of positioning accuracy inside the USSR.

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3. Requester: U. S. Navy
 4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED], GG/X
 5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from: None outside the Division
 6. Estimated Man Hours: 75 man hours
 7. Probable Completion Date: August 15, 1957
 8. Probable Form of Final Publication: G/E
 9. Comments: Copies to each of two interested groups in the Navy.

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9 August -- Returned to D/GG with note:

I wish to review the publication before it is sent to the Navy!

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